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Preface

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Audience

This publication is for network administrators who configure and maintain Cisco Nexus devices.

Document Conventions

Command descriptions use the following conventions:

Convention	Description
bold	Bold text indicates the commands and keywords that you enter literally as shown.
<i>Italic</i>	Italic text indicates arguments for which the user supplies the values.
[x]	Square brackets enclose an optional element(keyword or argument).
[x y]	Square brackets enclosing keywords or arguments separated by a vertical bar indicate an optional choice.
{x y}	Braces enclosing keywords or arguments separated by a vertical bar indicate a required choice.

Convention	Description
[x {y z}]	Nested set of square brackets or braces indicate optional or required choices within optional or required elements. Braces and a vertical bar within square brackets indicate a required choice within an optional element.
<i>variable</i>	Indicates a variable for which you supply values, in context where italics cannot be used.
string	A nonquoted set of characters. Do not use quotation marks around the string or the string will include the quotation marks.

Examples use the following conventions:

Convention	Description
<code>screen font</code>	Terminal sessions and information the switch displays are in screen font.
<code>boldface screen font</code>	Information you must enter is in boldface screen font.
<i><code>italic screen font</code></i>	Arguments for which you supply values are in italic screen font.
<>	Nonprinting characters, such as passwords, are in angle brackets.
[]	Default responses to system prompts are in square brackets.
!, #	An exclamation point (!) or a pound sign (#) at the beginning of a line of code indicates a comment line.

This document uses the following conventions:



Note

Means *reader take note*. Notes contain helpful suggestions or references to material not covered in the manual.



Caution

Means *reader be careful*. In this situation, you might do something that could result in equipment damage or loss of data.

Related Documentation for Nexus 3548 Switch NX-OS Software

The Cisco Nexus 3548 Switch NX-OS documentation set is available at the following URL:

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Release Notes

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License Information

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CHAPTER 1

New and Changed Information for this Release

The following table provides an overview of the significant changes to this guide for this current release. The table does not provide an exhaustive list of all changes made to the configuration guides or of the new features in this release.

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New and Changed Information

The following table provides an overview of the significant changes to this guide for this current release. The table does not provide an exhaustive list of all changes made to the configuration guides or of the new features in this release.

Table 1: New and Changed Features

Feature	Description	Added or Changed in Release	Where Documented
Link Negotiation	Added information to change status of link negotiation to disabled.	5.0(3)A1(2)	Configuring Layer 2 Interfaces, on page 3
Hitless NAT	Added support for NAT to be able to route IPv4 unicast packets without incurring any additional latency.	5.0(3)A1(2)	Information About Static NAT, on page 51



Configuring Layer 2 Interfaces

This chapter contains the following sections:

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- [Displaying Interface Information, page 17](#)
- [Default Physical Ethernet Settings , page 19](#)
- [MIBs for Layer 2 Interfaces, page 20](#)

Information About Ethernet Interfaces

The Ethernet ports can operate as standard Ethernet interfaces connected to servers or to a LAN.

The Ethernet interfaces are enabled by default.

About the Interface Command

You can enable the various capabilities of the Ethernet interfaces on a per-interface basis using the **interface** command. When you enter the **interface** command, you specify the following information:

- Interface type—All physical Ethernet interfaces use the **ethernet** keyword.
- Slot number
 - Slot 1 includes all the fixed ports.
 - Slot 2 includes the ports on the upper expansion module (if populated).
 - Slot 3 includes the ports on the lower expansion module (if populated).
 - Slot 4 includes the ports on the lower expansion module (if populated).
- Port number— Port number within the group.

The interface numbering convention is extended to support use with a Cisco Nexus Fabric Extender as follows:

```
switch(config)# interface ethernet [chassis]/slot/port
```

- Chassis ID is an optional entry to address the ports of a connected Fabric Extender. The chassis ID is configured on a physical Ethernet or EtherChannel interface on the switch to identify the Fabric Extender discovered via the interface. The chassis ID ranges from 100 to 199.

About the Unidirectional Link Detection Parameter

The Cisco-proprietary Unidirectional Link Detection (UDLD) protocol allows ports that are connected through fiber optics or copper (for example, Category 5 cabling) Ethernet cables to monitor the physical configuration of the cables and detect when a unidirectional link exists. When the switch detects a unidirectional link, UDLD shuts down the affected LAN port and alerts the user. Unidirectional links can cause a variety of problems, including spanning tree topology loops.

UDLD is a Layer 2 protocol that works with the Layer 1 protocols to determine the physical status of a link. At Layer 1, autonegotiation takes care of physical signaling and fault detection. UDLD performs tasks that autonegotiation cannot perform, such as detecting the identities of neighbors and shutting down misconnected LAN ports. When you enable both autonegotiation and UDLD, Layer 1 and Layer 2 detections work together to prevent physical and logical unidirectional connections and the malfunctioning of other protocols.

A unidirectional link occurs whenever traffic transmitted by the local device over a link is received by the neighbor but traffic transmitted from the neighbor is not received by the local device. If one of the fiber strands in a pair is disconnected, as long as autonegotiation is active, the link does not stay up. In this case, the logical link is undetermined, and UDLD does not take any action. If both fibers are working normally at Layer 1, then UDLD at Layer 2 determines whether those fibers are connected correctly and whether traffic is flowing bidirectionally between the correct neighbors. This check cannot be performed by autonegotiation, because autonegotiation operates at Layer 1.

A Cisco Nexus device periodically transmits UDLD frames to neighbor devices on LAN ports with UDLD enabled. If the frames are echoed back within a specific time frame and they lack a specific acknowledgment (echo), the link is flagged as unidirectional and the LAN port is shut down. Devices on both ends of the link must support UDLD in order for the protocol to successfully identify and disable unidirectional links.

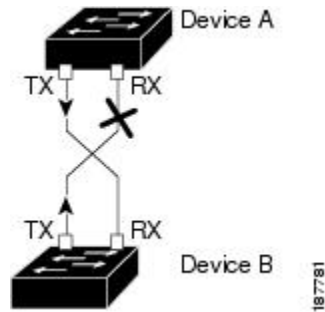


Note

By default, UDLD is locally disabled on copper LAN ports to avoid sending unnecessary control traffic on this type of media.

The following figure shows an example of a unidirectional link condition. Device B successfully receives traffic from Device A on the port. However, Device A does not receive traffic from Device B on the same port. UDLD detects the problem and disables the port.

Figure 1: Unidirectional Link



Default UDLD Configuration

The following table shows the default UDLD configuration.

Table 2: UDLD Default Configuration

Feature	Default Value
UDLD global enable state	Globally disabled
UDLD aggressive mode	Disabled
UDLD per-port enable state for fiber-optic media	Enabled on all Ethernet fiber-optic LAN ports
UDLD per-port enable state for twisted-pair (copper) media	Disabled on all Ethernet 10/100 and 1000BASE-TX LAN ports

UDLD Aggressive and Nonaggressive Modes

UDLD aggressive mode is disabled by default. You can configure UDLD aggressive mode only on point-to-point links between network devices that support UDLD aggressive mode. If UDLD aggressive mode is enabled, when a port on a bidirectional link that has a UDLD neighbor relationship established stops receiving UDLD frames, UDLD tries to reestablish the connection with the neighbor. After eight failed retries, the port is disabled.

To prevent spanning tree loops, nonaggressive UDLD with the default interval of 15 seconds is fast enough to shut down a unidirectional link before a blocking port transitions to the forwarding state (with default spanning tree parameters).

When you enable the UDLD aggressive mode, the following occurs:

- One side of a link has a port stuck (both transmission and receive)
- One side of a link remains up while the other side of the link is down

In these cases, the UDLD aggressive mode disables one of the ports on the link, which prevents traffic from being discarded.

SVI Autostate

The Switch Virtual Interface (SVI) represents a logical interface between the bridging function and the routing function of a VLAN in the device. By default, when a VLAN interface has multiple ports in the VLAN, the SVI goes to the down state when all the ports in the VLAN go down.

Autostate behavior is the operational state of an interface that is governed by the state of the various ports in its corresponding vlan. In other words a SVI interface on a VLAN comes up when there is at least one port in that vlan that is in STP forwarding state. Similarly, this interface goes down when the last STP forwarding port goes down or goes to another STP state.

By default, Autostate calculation is enabled. You can disable Autostate calculation for a SVI interface and change the default value.

About the Cisco Discovery Protocol

The Cisco Discovery Protocol (CDP) is a device discovery protocol that runs over Layer 2 (the data link layer) on all Cisco-manufactured devices (routers, bridges, access servers, and switches) and allows network management applications to discover Cisco devices that are neighbors of already known devices. With CDP, network management applications can learn the device type and the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) agent address of neighboring devices running lower-layer, transparent protocols. This feature enables applications to send SNMP queries to neighboring devices.

CDP runs on all media that support Subnetwork Access Protocol (SNAP). Because CDP runs over the data-link layer only, two systems that support different network-layer protocols can learn about each other.

Each CDP-configured device sends periodic messages to a multicast address, advertising at least one address at which it can receive SNMP messages. The advertisements also contain time-to-live, or holdtime information, which is the length of time a receiving device holds CDP information before discarding it. Each device also listens to the messages sent by other devices to learn about neighboring devices.

The switch supports both CDP Version 1 and Version 2.

Default CDP Configuration

The following table shows the default CDP configuration.

Table 3: Default CDP Configuration

Feature	Default Setting
CDP interface state	Enabled
CDP timer (packet update frequency)	60 seconds
CDP holdtime (before discarding)	180 seconds
CDP Version-2 advertisements	Enabled

About the Error-Disabled State

An interface is in the error-disabled (err-disabled) state when the interface is enabled administratively (using the **no shutdown** command) but disabled at runtime by any process. For example, if UDLD detects a unidirectional link, the interface is shut down at runtime. However, because the interface is administratively enabled, the interface status displays as err-disabled. Once an interface goes into the err-disabled state, you must manually reenabling it or you can configure an automatic timeout recovery value. The err-disabled detection is enabled by default for all causes. The automatic recovery is not configured by default.

When an interface is in the err-disabled state, use the **errdisable detect cause** command to find information about the error.

You can configure the automatic err-disabled recovery timeout for a particular err-disabled cause by changing the time variable.

The **errdisable recovery cause** command provides automatic recovery after 300 seconds. To change the recovery period, use the **errdisable recovery interval** command to specify the timeout period. You can specify 30 to 65535 seconds.

If you do not enable the err-disabled recovery for the cause, the interface stays in the err-disabled state until you enter the **shutdown** and **no shutdown** commands. If the recovery is enabled for a cause, the interface is brought out of the err-disabled state and allowed to retry operation once all the causes have timed out. Use the **show interface status err-disabled** command to display the reason behind the error.

About MTU Configuration

The Cisco Nexus device switch does not fragment frames. As a result, the switch cannot have two ports in the same Layer 2 domain with different maximum transmission units (MTUs). A per-physical Ethernet interface MTU is not supported. Instead, the MTU is set according to the QoS classes. You modify the MTU by setting class and policy maps.

**Note**

When you show the interface settings, a default MTU of 1500 is displayed for physical Ethernet interfaces.

Configuring Ethernet Interfaces

The section includes the following topics:

Configuring the UDLD Mode

You can configure normal or aggressive unidirectional link detection (UDLD) modes for Ethernet interfaces on devices configured to run UDLD. Before you can enable a UDLD mode for an interface, you must make sure that UDLD is already enabled on the device that includes the interface. UDLD must also be enabled on the other linked interface and its device.

To use the normal UDLD mode, you must configure one of the ports for normal mode and configure the other port for the normal or aggressive mode. To use the aggressive UDLD mode, you must configure both ports for the aggressive mode.



Note Before you begin, UDLD must be enabled for the other linked port and its device.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# feature udld	Enables UDLD for the device.
Step 3	switch(config)# no feature udld	Disables UDLD for the device.
Step 4	switch(config)# show udld global	Displays the UDLD status for the device.
Step 5	switch(config)# interface type slot/port	Specifies an interface to configure, and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 6	switch(config-if)# udld {enable disable aggressive}	Enables the normal UDLD mode, disables UDLD, or enables the aggressive UDLD mode.
Step 7	switch(config-if)# show udld interface	Displays the UDLD status for the interface.

This example shows how to enable the UDLD for the switch:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# feature udld
```

This example shows how to enable the normal UDLD mode for an Ethernet port:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if)# udld enable
```

This example shows how to enable the aggressive UDLD mode for an Ethernet port:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if)# udld aggressive
```

This example shows how to disable UDLD for an Ethernet port:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if)# udld disable
```

This example shows how to disable UDLD for the switch:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# no feature udld
```

Changing an Interface Port Mode

You can configure a Quad small form-factor pluggable (QSFP+) port by using the **hardware profile portmode** command. To restore the defaults, use the **no** form of this command.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# copy running-config bootflash: my-config.cfg	Copies the running configuration to the bootflash. You can use this file to configure your device later.
Step 3	switch(config)# write erase	Removes all the interface configurations.
Step 4	switch(config)# reload	Reloads the Cisco NX-OS software.
Step 5	switch(config)# [no] hardware profile portmode portmode	Changes the interface port mode.
Step 6	switch(config)# hardware profile portmode portmode 2-tuple	(Optional) Displays the port names in 2-tuple mode instead of the default 3-tuple convention mode.
Step 7	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.
Step 8	switch(config)# reload	Reloads the Cisco NX-OS software. Manually apply all the interface configuration. You can refer to the configuration file that you saved earlier. Note The interface numbering changes if the ports are changed from 40G mode to 4x10G mode or vice versa.

This example shows how to change the port mode to 48x10g+4x40g for QSFP+ ports:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config) copy running-config bootflash:my-config.cfg
switch(config)# write erase
switch(config)# reload
WARNING: This command will reboot the system
Do you want to continue? (y/n) [n] y
switch(config)# hardware profile portmode 48x10g+4x40g
Warning: This command will take effect only after saving the configuration and reload!
Port configurations could get lost when port mode is changed!
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
switch(config)# reload
WARNING: This command will reboot the system
Do you want to continue? (y/n) [n] y
```

This example shows how to change the port mode to 48x10g+4x40g for QSFP+ ports and verify the changes:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# hardware profile portmode 48x10g+4x40g
Warning: This command will take effect only after saving the configuration and r
eload! Port configurations could get lost when port mode is changed!
switch(config)# show running-config
!Command: show running-config
!Time: Thu Aug 25 07:39:37 2011
version 5.0(3)U2(1)
feature telnet
no feature ssh
feature lldp
username admin password 5 $1$0OV4MdOM$BAB5Rkd22YanT4empqqSM0 role network-admin
ip domain-lookup
switchname BLR-QG-5
ip access-list my-acl
10 deny ip any 10.0.0.1/32
20 deny ip 10.1.1.1/32 any
class-map type control-plane match-any copp-arp
class-map type control-plane match-any copp-bpdu
:
:
control-plane
service-policy input copp-system-policy
hardware profile tcam region arpacl 128
hardware profile tcam region ifacl 256
hardware profile tcam region racl 256
hardware profile tcam region vacl 512
hardware profile portmode 48x10G+4x40G
snmp-server user admin network-admin auth md5 0xdd1d21ee42e93106836cdefd1a60e062
<--Output truncated-->
switch#
```

This example shows how to restore the default port mode for QSFP+ ports:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# no hardware profile portmode
Warning: This command will take effect only after saving the configuration and r
eload! Port configurations could get lost when port mode is changed!
switch(config)#
```

Configuring Interface Speed



Note

If the interface and transceiver speed is mismatched, the SFP validation failed message is displayed when you enter the **show interface ethernet slot/port** command. For example, if you insert a 1-Gigabit SFP transceiver into a port without configuring the speed 1000 command, you will get this error. By default, all ports are 10 Gigabits.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface type slot/port	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified interface. This interface must have a 1-Gigabit Ethernet SFP transceiver inserted into it.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# speed speed	Sets the speed on the interface.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		<p>This command can only be applied to a physical Ethernet interface. The <i>speed</i> argument can be set to one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 Mbps • 100 Mbps • 1 Gbps • 10Gbps • automatic

This example shows how to set the speed for a 1-Gigabit Ethernet port:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if)# speed 1000
```

Disabling Link Negotiation

You can disable link negotiation using the **no negotiate auto** command. By default, auto-negotiation is enabled on 1-Gigabit ports and disabled on 10-Gigabit ports. By default, auto-negotiation is enabled on the Cisco Nexus 3064 and 3064-X switches and disabled on the Cisco Nexus 3048 switch.

This command is equivalent to the Cisco IOS **speed non-negotiate** command.



Note

Auto negotiation configuration is not applicable on 10-Gigabit ports. When auto-negotiation is configured on a 10-Gigabit port the following error message is displayed:

```
ERROR: Ethernet1/40: Configuration does not match the port capability
```

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface ethernet <i>slot/port</i>	Selects the interface and enters interface mode.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# no negotiate auto	Disables link negotiation on the selected Ethernet interface (1-Gigabit port).
Step 4	switch(config-if)# negotiate auto	<p>(Optional) Enables link negotiation on the selected Ethernet interface. The default for 1-Gigabit ports is enabled.</p> <p>Note This command is not applicable for 10GBase-T ports. It should not be used on 10GBase-T ports.</p>

	Command or Action	Purpose
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This example shows how to enable auto negotiation on a specified Ethernet interface (1-Gigabit port):

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 1/5
switch(config-if)# negotiate auto
switch(config-if)#
```

Disabling SVI Autostate

You can configure a SVI to remain active even if no interfaces are in the corresponding VLAN. This enhancement is called Autostate Disable.

When you enable or disable autostate behavior it is applied to all the SVIs in the switch unless you configure autostate per SVI .



Note Autostate behavior is enabled by default.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# feature interface-vlan	Enables the interface-vlan feature.
Step 3	switch(config)# system default interface-vlan [no] autostate	Configures the system to enable or disable the Autostate default behavior.
Step 4	switch(config)# interface vlan interface-vlan-number	(Optional) Creates a VLAN interface. The number range is from 1 to 4094.
Step 5	switch(config-if)# [no] autostate	(Optional) Enables or disables Autostate behavior per SVI.
Step 6	switch(config)# show interface-vlan interface-vlan	(Optional) Displays the enabled or disabled Autostate behavior of the SVI.
Step 7	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to disable the systems Autostate default for all the SVIs on the switch:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# feature interface-vlan
switch(config)# system default interface-vlan no autostate
switch(config)# interface vlan 50
switch(config-if)# no autostate
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

This example shows enabled autostate configuration:

```
switch(config)# show interface-vlan 2
Vlan2 is down, line protocol is down, autostate enabled
Hardware is EtherSVI, address is 547f.ee40.a17c
MTU 1500 bytes, BW 1000000 Kbit, DLY 10 usec
```

Configuring the CDP Characteristics

You can configure the frequency of Cisco Discovery Protocol (CDP) updates, the amount of time to hold the information before discarding it, and whether or not to send Version-2 advertisements.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# [no] cdp advertise {v1 v2 }	(Optional) Configures the version to use to send CDP advertisements. Version-2 is the default state. Use the no form of the command to return to its default setting.
Step 3	switch(config)# [no] cdp format device-id {mac-address serial-number system-name}	(Optional) Configures the format of the CDP device ID. The default is the system name, which can be expressed as a fully qualified domain name. Use the no form of the command to return to its default setting.
Step 4	switch(config)# [no] cdp holdtime seconds	(Optional) Specifies the amount of time a receiving device should hold the information sent by your device before discarding it. The range is 10 to 255 seconds; the default is 180 seconds. Use the no form of the command to return to its default setting.
Step 5	switch(config)# [no] cdp timer seconds	(Optional) Sets the transmission frequency of CDP updates in seconds. The range is 5 to 254; the default is 60 seconds. Use the no form of the command to return to its default setting.

This example shows how to configure CDP characteristics:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# cdp timer 50
switch(config)# cdp holdtime 120
switch(config)# cdp advertise v2
```

Enabling or Disabling CDP

You can enable or disable CDP for Ethernet interfaces. This protocol works only when you have it enabled on both interfaces on the same link.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface <i>type slot/port</i>	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified interface.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# cdp enable	Enables CDP for the interface. To work correctly, this parameter must be enabled for both interfaces on the same link.
Step 4	switch(config-if)# no cdp enable	Disables CDP for the interface.

This example shows how to enable CDP for an Ethernet port:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if)# cdp enable
```

This command can only be applied to a physical Ethernet interface.

Enabling the Error-Disabled Detection

You can enable error-disable (err-disabled) detection in an application. As a result, when a cause is detected on an interface, the interface is placed in an err-disabled state, which is an operational state that is similar to the link-down state.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# errdisable detect cause { <i>all link-flap loopback</i> }	Specifies a condition under which to place the interface in an err-disabled state. The default is enabled.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 3	switch(config)# shutdown	Brings the interface down administratively. To manually recover the interface from the err-disabled state, enter this command first.
Step 4	switch(config)# no shutdown	Brings the interface up administratively and enables the interface to recover manually from the err-disabled state.
Step 5	switch(config)# show interface status err-disabled	Displays information about err-disabled interfaces.
Step 6	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to enable the err-disabled detection in all cases:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# errdisable detect cause all
switch(config)# shutdown
switch(config)# no shutdown
switch(config)# show interface status err-disabled
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Enabling the Error-Disabled Recovery

You can specify the application to bring the interface out of the error-disabled (err-disabled) state and retry coming up. It retries after 300 seconds, unless you configure the recovery timer (see the **errdisable recovery interval** command).

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# errdisable recovery cause { <i>all</i> <i>udld</i> <i>bpduguard</i> <i>link-flap</i> <i>failed-port-state</i> <i>pause-rate-limit</i> }	Specifies a condition under which the interface automatically recovers from the err-disabled state, and the device retries bringing the interface up. The device waits 300 seconds to retry. The default is disabled.
Step 3	switch(config)# show interface status err-disabled	Displays information about err-disabled interfaces.
Step 4	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to enable err-disabled recovery under all conditions:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# errdisable recovery cause all
switch(config)# show interface status err-disabled
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Configuring the Error-Disabled Recovery Interval

You can use this procedure to configure the err-disabled recovery timer value. The range is from 30 to 65535 seconds. The default is 300 seconds.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	errdisable recovery interval <i>interval</i>	Specifies the interval for the interface to recover from the err-disabled state. The range is from 30 to 65535 seconds. The default is 300 seconds.
Step 3	show interface status err-disabled	Displays information about err-disabled interfaces.
Step 4	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to enable err-disabled recovery under all conditions:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# errdisable recovery interval 32
switch(config)# show interface status err-disabled
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Configuring the Description Parameter

You can provide textual interface descriptions for the Ethernet ports.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface <i>type slot/port</i>	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified interface.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 3	switch(config-if)# description test	Specifies the description for the interface.

This example shows how to set the interface description to Server 3 Interface:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 1/3
switch(config-if)# description Server 3 Interface
```

Disabling and Restarting Ethernet Interfaces

You can shut down and restart an Ethernet interface. This action disables all of the interface functions and marks the interface as being down on all monitoring displays. This information is communicated to other network servers through all dynamic routing protocols. When shut down, the interface is not included in any routing updates.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface type slot/port	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified interface.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# shutdown	Disables the interface.
Step 4	switch(config-if)# no shutdown	Restarts the interface.

This example shows how to disable an Ethernet port:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if)# shutdown
```

This example shows how to restart an Ethernet interface:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if)# no shutdown
```

Displaying Interface Information

To view configuration information about the defined interfaces, perform one of these tasks:

Command	Purpose
switch# show interface type slot/port	Displays the detailed configuration of the specified interface.

Command	Purpose
switch# show interface type slot/port capabilities	Displays detailed information about the capabilities of the specified interface. This option is only available for physical interfaces
switch# show interface type slot/port transceiver	Displays detailed information about the transceiver connected to the specified interface. This option is only available for physical interfaces.
switch# show interface brief	Displays the status of all interfaces.
switch# show interface flowcontrol	Displays the detailed listing of the flow control settings on all interfaces.

The **show interface** command is invoked from EXEC mode and displays the interface configurations. Without any arguments, this command displays the information for all the configured interfaces in the switch.

This example shows how to display the physical Ethernet interface:

```
switch# show interface ethernet 1/1
Ethernet1/1 is up
Hardware is 1000/10000 Ethernet, address is 000d.eca3.5f08 (bia 000d.eca3.5f08)
MTU 1500 bytes, BW 10000000 Kbit, DLY 10 usec,
    reliability 255/255, txload 190/255, rxload 192/255
Encapsulation ARPA
Port mode is trunk
full-duplex, 10 Gb/s, media type is 1/10g
Input flow-control is off, output flow-control is off
Auto-mdix is turned on
Rate mode is dedicated
Switchport monitor is off
Last clearing of "show interface" counters never
5 minute input rate 942201806 bytes/sec, 14721892 packets/sec
5 minute output rate 935840313 bytes/sec, 14622492 packets/sec
Rx
  129141483840 input packets 0 unicast packets 129141483847 multicast packets
  0 broadcast packets 0 jumbo packets 0 storm suppression packets
  8265054965824 bytes
  0 No buffer 0 runt 0 Overrun
  0 crc 0 Ignored 0 Bad etype drop
  0 Bad proto drop
Tx
  119038487241 output packets 119038487245 multicast packets
  0 broadcast packets 0 jumbo packets
  7618463256471 bytes
  0 output CRC 0 ecc
  0 underrun 0 if down drop      0 output error 0 collision 0 deferred
  0 late collision 0 lost carrier 0 no carrier
  0 babble
  0 Rx pause 8031547972 Tx pause 0 reset
```

This example shows how to display the physical Ethernet capabilities:

```
switch# show interface ethernet 1/1 capabilities
Ethernet1/1
Model:                734510033
Type:                 10Gbase-(unknown)
Speed:               1000,10000
Duplex:              full
Trunk encap. type:   802.1q
Channel:             yes
Broadcast suppression: percentage(0-100)
Flowcontrol:         rx-(off/on),tx-(off/on)
```

```

Rate mode:          none
QoS scheduling:    rx-(6q1t),tx-(1p6q0t)
CoS rewrite:       no
ToS rewrite:       no
SPAN:              yes
UDLD:              yes

MDIX:              no
FEX Fabric:        yes
    
```

This example shows how to display the physical Ethernet transceiver:

```

switch# show interface ethernet 1/1 transceiver
Ethernet1/1
  sfp is present
  name is CISCO-EXCELIGHT
  part number is SPP5101SR-C1
  revision is A
  serial number is ECL120901AV
  nominal bitrate is 10300 Mbits/sec
  Link length supported for 50/125mm fiber is 82 m(s)
  Link length supported for 62.5/125mm fiber is 26 m(s)
  cisco id is --
  cisco extended id number is 4
    
```

This example shows how to display a brief interface status (some of the output has been removed for brevity):

```

switch# show interface brief

-----
Ethernet      VLAN   Type Mode   Status Reason          Speed   Port
Interface                                           Ch #
-----
Eth1/1        200   eth trunk up      none          10G(D) --
Eth1/2        1     eth trunk up      none          10G(D) --
Eth1/3        300   eth access down  SFP not inserted 10G(D) --
Eth1/4        300   eth access down  SFP not inserted 10G(D) --
Eth1/5        300   eth access down  Link not connected 1000(D) --
Eth1/6        20    eth access down  Link not connected 10G(D) --
Eth1/7        300   eth access down  SFP not inserted 10G(D) --
...
    
```

This example shows how to display the CDP neighbors:

```

switch# show cdp neighbors
Capability Codes: R - Router, T - Trans-Bridge, B - Source-Route-Bridge
                  S - Switch, H - Host, I - IGMP, r - Repeater,
                  V - VoIP-Phone, D - Remotely-Managed-Device,
                  s - Supports-STP-Dispute

Device ID         Local Intrfce   Hldtme   Capability   Platform   Port ID
d13-dist-1        mgmt0          148      S I          WS-C2960-24TC Fas0/9
n5k (FLC12080012) Eth1/5         8        S I s       N5K-C5020P-BA Eth1/5
    
```

Default Physical Ethernet Settings

The following table lists the default settings for all physical Ethernet interfaces:

Parameter	Default Setting
Duplex	Auto (full-duplex)
Encapsulation	ARPA
MTU ¹	1500 bytes
Port Mode	Access

Parameter	Default Setting
Speed	Auto (10000)

¹ MTU cannot be changed per-physical Ethernet interface. You modify MTU by selecting maps of QoS classes.

MIBs for Layer 2 Interfaces

MIB	MIB Link
IF-MIB	To locate and download MIBs, go to the following URL:
MAU-MIB Limited support includes only the following MIB Objects:	http://www.cisco.com/public/sw-center/netmgmt/cmtk/mibs.shtml
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ifMauType (Read-only) GET • ifMauAutoNegSupported (Read-only) GET • ifMauTypeListBits (Read-only) GET • ifMauDefaultType (Read-write) GET-SET • ifMauAutoNegAdminStatus (Read-write) GET-SET • ifMauAutoNegCapabilityBits (Read-only) GET • ifMauAutoNegAdvertisedBits (Read-write) GET-SET 	



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Information About Layer 3 Interfaces

Layer 3 interfaces forward packets to another device using static or dynamic routing protocols. You can use Layer 3 interfaces for IP routing and inter-VLAN routing of Layer 2 traffic.

Routed Interfaces

You can configure a port as a Layer 2 interface or a Layer 3 interface. A routed interface is a physical port that can route IP traffic to another device. A routed interface is a Layer 3 interface only and does not support Layer 2 protocols, such as the Spanning Tree Protocol (STP).

All Ethernet ports are Layer 2 (switchports) by default. You can change this default behavior using the **no switchport** command from interface configuration mode. To change multiple ports at one time, you can specify a range of interfaces and then apply the **no switchport** command.

You can assign an IP address to the port, enable routing, and assign routing protocol characteristics to this routed interface.

You can assign a static MAC address to a Layer 3 interface. For information on configuring MAC addresses, see the Layer 2 Switching Configuration Guide for your device.

You can also create a Layer 3 port channel from routed interfaces.

Routed interfaces and subinterfaces support exponentially decayed rate counters. Cisco NX-OS tracks the following statistics with these averaging counters:

- Input packets/sec
- Output packets/sec
- Input bytes/sec
- Output bytes/sec

Subinterfaces

You can create virtual subinterfaces on a parent interface configured as a Layer 3 interface. A parent interface can be a physical port or a port channel.

Subinterfaces divide the parent interface into two or more virtual interfaces on which you can assign unique Layer 3 parameters such as IP addresses and dynamic routing protocols. The IP address for each subinterface should be in a different subnet from any other subinterface on the parent interface.

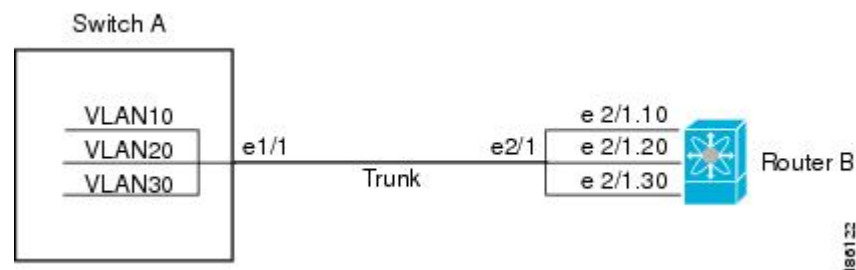
You create a subinterface with a name that consists of the parent interface name (for example, Ethernet 2/1) followed by a period and then by a number that is unique for that subinterface. For example, you could create a subinterface for Ethernet interface 2/1 named Ethernet 2/1.1 where .1 indicates the subinterface.

Cisco NX-OS enables subinterfaces when the parent interface is enabled. You can shut down a subinterface independent of shutting down the parent interface. If you shut down the parent interface, Cisco NX-OS shuts down all associated subinterfaces as well.

One use of subinterfaces is to provide unique Layer 3 interfaces to each VLAN that is supported by the parent interface. In this scenario, the parent interface connects to a Layer 2 trunking port on another device. You configure a subinterface and associate the subinterface to a VLAN ID using 802.1Q trunking.

The following figure shows a trunking port from a switch that connects to router B on interface E 2/1. This interface contains three subinterfaces that are associated with each of the three VLANs that are carried by the trunking port.

Figure 2: Subinterfaces for VLANs



VLAN Interfaces

A VLAN interface or a switch virtual interface (SVI) is a virtual routed interface that connects a VLAN on the device to the Layer 3 router engine on the same device. Only one VLAN interface can be associated with a VLAN, but you need to configure a VLAN interface for a VLAN only when you want to route between VLANs or to provide IP host connectivity to the device through a virtual routing and forwarding (VRF) instance that is not the management VRF. When you enable VLAN interface creation, Cisco NX-OS creates a VLAN interface for the default VLAN (VLAN 1) to permit remote switch administration.

You must enable the VLAN network interface feature before you can configure it. The system automatically takes a checkpoint prior to disabling the feature, and you can roll back to this checkpoint. For information about rollbacks and checkpoints, see the System Management Configuration Guide for your device.

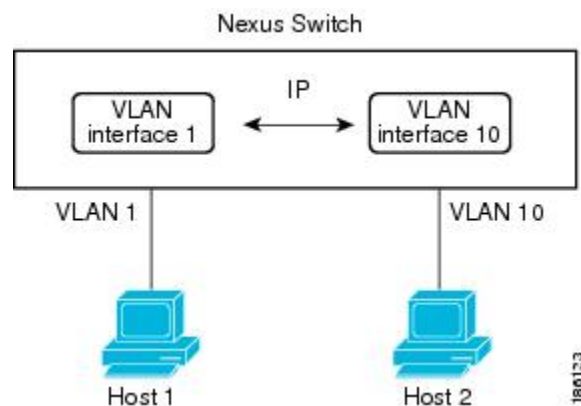


Note You cannot delete the VLAN interface for VLAN 1.

You can route across VLAN interfaces to provide Layer 3 inter-VLAN routing by configuring a VLAN interface for each VLAN that you want to route traffic to and assigning an IP address on the VLAN interface. For more information on IP addresses and IP routing, see the Unicast Routing Configuration Guide for your device.

The following figure shows two hosts connected to two VLANs on a device. You can configure VLAN interfaces for each VLAN that allows Host 1 to communicate with Host 2 using IP routing between the VLANs. VLAN 1 communicates at Layer 3 over VLAN interface 1 and VLAN 10 communicates at Layer 3 over VLAN interface 10.

Figure 3: Connecting Two VLANs with VLAN Interfaces



Loopback Interfaces

A loopback interface is a virtual interface with a single endpoint that is always up. Any packet that is transmitted over a loopback interface is immediately received by this interface. Loopback interfaces emulate a physical interface.

You can use loopback interfaces for performance analysis, testing, and local communications. Loopback interfaces can act as a termination address for routing protocol sessions. This loopback configuration allows routing protocol sessions to stay up even if some of the outbound interfaces are down.

Licensing Requirements for Layer 3 Interfaces

This feature does not require a license. Any feature not included in a license package is bundled with the Cisco NX-OS system images and is provided at no extra charge to you. For a complete explanation of the Cisco NX-OS licensing scheme, see the *Cisco NX-OS Licensing Guide*.

Guidelines and Limitations for Layer 3 Interfaces

Layer 3 interfaces have the following configuration guidelines and limitations:

- If you change a Layer 3 interface to a Layer 2 interface, Cisco NX-OS shuts down the interface, reenables the interface, and removes all configuration specific to Layer 3.
- If you change a Layer 2 interface to a Layer 3 interface, Cisco NX-OS shuts down the interface, reenables the interface, and deletes all configuration specific to Layer 2.

Default Settings for Layer 3 Interfaces

The default setting for the Layer 3 Admin state is Shut.

Configuring Layer 3 Interfaces

Configuring a Routed Interface

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface ethernet slot/port	Enters interface configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# no switchport	Configures the interface as a Layer 3 interface and deletes any configuration specific to Layer 2 on this interface. Note To convert a Layer 3 interface back into a Layer 2 interface, use the switchport command.
Step 4	switch(config-if)# ipip-address/length	Configures an IP address for this interface.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	switch(config-if)# medium { broadcast p2p }	(Optional) Configures the interface medium as either point to point or broadcast. Note The default setting is broadcast, and this setting does not appear in any of the show commands. However, if you do change the setting to p2p , you will see this setting when you enter the show running-config command.
Step 6	switch(config-if)# show interfaces	(Optional) Displays the Layer 3 interface statistics.
Step 7	switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to configure an IPv4 routed Layer 3 interface:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 2/1
switch(config-if)# no switchport
switch(config-if)# ip address 192.0.2.1/8
switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Configuring a Subinterface

Before You Begin

- Configure the parent interface as a routed interface.
- Create the port-channel interface if you want to create a subinterface on that port channel.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface ethernet slot/port.number	Enters interface configuration mode. The range for the <i>slot</i> is from 1 to 255. The range for the <i>port</i> is from 1 to 128.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 3	switch(config-if)# ip address <i>ip-address/length</i>	Configures IP address for this interface.
Step 4	switch(config-if)# encapsulation dot1Q <i>vlan-id</i>	Configures IEEE 802.1Q VLAN encapsulation on the subinterface. The range for the <i>vlan-id</i> is from 2 to 4093.
Step 5	switch(config-if)# show interfaces	(Optional) Displays the Layer 3 interface statistics.
Step 6	switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to create a subinterface:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 2/1
switch(config-if)# ip address 192.0.2.1/8
switch(config-if)# encapsulation dot1Q 33
switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Configuring the Bandwidth on an Interface

You can configure the bandwidth for a routed interface, port channel, or subinterface.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface ethernet <i>slot/port</i>	Enters interface configuration mode. The range for the <i>slot</i> is from 1 to 255. The range for the <i>port</i> is from 1 to 128.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# bandwidth <i>[value inherit [value]]</i>	Configures the bandwidth parameter for a routed interface, port channel, or subinterface, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • value—Size of the bandwidth in kilobytes. The range is from 1 to 10000000. • inherit—Indicates that all subinterfaces of this interface inherit either the bandwidth value (if a value is specified) or the bandwidth of the parent interface (if a value is not specified).

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to configure Ethernet interface 2/1 with a bandwidth value of 80000:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 2/1
switch(config-if)# bandwidth 80000
switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Configuring a VLAN Interface

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# feature interface-vlan	Enables VLAN interface mode.
Step 3	switch(config)# interface vlan number	Creates a VLAN interface. The <i>number</i> range is from 1 to 4094.
Step 4	switch(config-if)# ip address ip-address/length	Configures an IP address for this interface.
Step 5	switch(config-if)# no shutdown	Brings the interface up administratively.
Step 6	switch(config-if)# show interface vlan number	(Optional) Displays the VLAN interface statistics. The <i>number</i> range is from 1 to 4094.
Step 7	switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to create a VLAN interface:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# feature interface-vlan
switch(config)# interface vlan 10
switch(config-if)# ip address 192.0.2.1/8
switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Configuring a Loopback Interface

Before You Begin

Ensure that the IP address of the loopback interface is unique across all routers on the network.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface loopback <i>instance</i>	Creates a loopback interface. The <i>instance</i> range is from 0 to 1023.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# ip address <i>ip-address/length</i>	Configures an IP address for this interface.
Step 4	switch(config-if)# show interface loopback <i>instance</i>	(Optional) Displays the loopback interface statistics. The <i>instance</i> range is from 0 to 1023.
Step 5	switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to create a loopback interface:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface loopback 0
switch(config-if)# ip address 192.0.2.100/8
switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Assigning an Interface to a VRF

Before You Begin

Assign the IP address for a tunnel interface after you have configured the interface for a VRF.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface <i>interface-typenumber</i>	Enters interface configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 3	switch(config-if)#vrf member <i>vrf-name</i>	Adds this interface to a VRF.
Step 4	switch(config-if)# ip <i>ip-address/length</i>	Configures an IP address for this interface. You must do this step after you assign this interface to a VRF.
Step 5	switch(config-if)# show vrf [<i>vrf-name</i>] interface <i>interface-type number</i>	(Optional) Displays VRF information.
Step 6	switch(config-if)# show interfaces	(Optional) Displays the Layer 3 interface statistics.
Step 7	switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to add a Layer 3 interface to the VRF:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface loopback 0
switch(config-if)# vrf member RemoteOfficeVRF
switch(config-if)# ip address 209.0.2.1/16
switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Verifying the Layer 3 Interfaces Configuration

Use one of the following commands to verify the configuration:

Command	Purpose
show interface ethernet <i>slot/port</i>	Displays the Layer 3 interface configuration, status, and counters (including the 5-minute exponentially decayed moving average of inbound and outbound packet and byte rates).
show interface ethernet <i>slot/port</i> brief	Displays the Layer 3 interface operational status.
show interface ethernet <i>slot/port</i> capabilities	Displays the Layer 3 interface capabilities, including port type, speed, and duplex.
show interface ethernet <i>slot/port</i> description	Displays the Layer 3 interface description.
show interface ethernet <i>slot/port</i> status	Displays the Layer 3 interface administrative status, port mode, speed, and duplex.

Command	Purpose
show interface ethernet <i>slot/port.number</i>	Displays the subinterface configuration, status, and counters (including the f-minute exponentially decayed moving average of inbound and outbound packet and byte rates).
show interface port-channel <i>channel-id.number</i>	Displays the port-channel subinterface configuration, status, and counters (including the 5-minute exponentially decayed moving average of inbound and outbound packet and byte rates).
show interface loopback <i>number</i>	Displays the loopback interface configuration, status, and counters.
show interface loopback <i>number</i> brief	Displays the loopback interface operational status.
show interface loopback <i>number</i> description	Displays the loopback interface description.
show interface loopback <i>number</i> status	Displays the loopback interface administrative status and protocol status.
show interface vlan <i>number</i>	Displays the VLAN interface configuration, status, and counters.
show interface vlan <i>number</i> brief	Displays the VLAN interface operational status.
show interface vlan <i>number</i> description	Displays the VLAN interface description.
show interface vlan <i>number</i> private-vlan mapping	Displays the VLAN interface private VLAN information.
show interface vlan <i>number</i> status	Displays the VLAN interface administrative status and protocol status.

Monitoring Layer 3 Interfaces

Use one of the following commands to display statistics about the feature:

Command	Purpose
show interface ethernet <i>slot/port</i> counters	Displays the Layer 3 interface statistics (unicast, multicast, and broadcast).
show interface ethernet <i>slot/port</i> counters brief	Displays the Layer 3 interface input and output counters.

Command	Purpose
show interface ethernet <i>slot/port</i> counters detailed [all]	Displays the Layer 3 interface statistics. You can optionally include all 32-bit and 64-bit packet and byte counters (including errors).
show interface ethernet <i>slot/port</i> counters error	Displays the Layer 3 interface input and output errors.
show interface ethernet <i>slot/port</i> counters snmp	Displays the Layer 3 interface counters reported by SNMP MIBs. You cannot clear these counters.
show interface ethernet <i>slot/port.number</i> counters	Displays the subinterface statistics (unicast, multicast, and broadcast).
show interface port-channel <i>channel-id.number</i> counters	Displays the port-channel subinterface statistics (unicast, multicast, and broadcast).
show interface loopback <i>number</i> counters	Displays the loopback interface input and output counters (unicast, multicast, and broadcast).
show interface loopback <i>number</i> counters detailed [all]	Displays the loopback interface statistics. You can optionally include all 32-bit and 64-bit packet and byte counters (including errors).
show interface loopback <i>number</i> counters errors	Displays the loopback interface input and output errors.
show interface vlan <i>number</i> counters	Displays the VLAN interface input and output counters (unicast, multicast, and broadcast).
show interface vlan <i>number</i> counters detailed [all]	Displays the VLAN interface statistics. You can optionally include all Layer 3 packet and byte counters (unicast and multicast).
show interface vlan <i>counters</i> snmp	Displays the VLAN interface counters reported by SNMP MIBs. You cannot clear these counters.

Configuration Examples for Layer 3 Interfaces

This example shows how to configure Ethernet subinterfaces:

```
switch# configuration terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 2/1.10
switch(config-if)# description Layer 3 for VLAN 10
switch(config-if)# encapsulation dot1q 10
switch(config-if)# ip address 192.0.2.1/8
switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config
```

This example shows how to configure a VLAN interface:

```
switch# configuration terminal
switch(config)# interface vlan 100
switch(config-if)# no switchport
switch(config-if)# ip address 192.0.2.1/8

switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config
```

This example shows how to configure a loopback interface:

```
switch# configuration terminal
switch(config)# interface loopback 3
switch(config-if)# no switchport
switch(config-if)# ip address 192.0.2.2/32
switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Related Documents for Layer 3 Interfaces

Related Topics	Document Title
Command syntax	Cisco Nexus 3548 Switch NX-OS Interfaces Command Reference
IP	“Configuring IP” chapter in the <i>Cisco Nexus 3548 Switch NX-OS Unicast Routing Configuration Guide</i>
VLAN	“Configuring VLANs” chapter in the <i>Cisco Nexus 3548 Switch NX-OS Layer 2 Switching Configuration Guide</i>

MIBs for Layer 3 Interfaces

MIB	MIB Link
CISCO-IF-EXTENSION-MIB	To locate and download MIBs, go to the following URL:
ETHERLIKE-MIB	http://www.cisco.com/public/sw-center/netmgmt/cmtk/mibs.shtml

Standards for Layer 3 Interfaces

No new or modified standards are supported by this feature, and support for existing standards has not been modified by this feature.



Configuring Port Channels

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Information About Port Channels

A port channel bundles individual interfaces into a group to provide increased bandwidth and redundancy. Port channeling also load balances traffic across these physical interfaces. The port channel stays operational as long as at least one physical interface within the port channel is operational.

You create a port channel by bundling compatible interfaces. You can configure and run either static port channels or port channels running the Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP).

Any configuration changes that you apply to the port channel are applied to each member interface of that port channel. For example, if you configure Spanning Tree Protocol (STP) parameters on the port channel, Cisco NX-OS applies those parameters to each interface in the port channel.

You can use static port channels, with no associated protocol, for a simplified configuration. For more efficient use of the port channel, you can use the Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP), which is defined in IEEE 802.3ad. When you use LACP, the link passes protocol packets.

Related Topics

[LACP Overview, on page 37](#)

Understanding Port Channels

Using port channels, Cisco NX-OS provides wider bandwidth, redundancy, and load balancing across the channels.

You can collect ports into a static port channel or you can enable the Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP). Configuring port channels with LACP requires slightly different steps than configuring static port

channels. For information on port channel configuration limits, see the *Verified Scalability* document for your platform. For more information about load balancing, see [Load Balancing Using Port Channels](#), on page 36.



Note Cisco NX-OS does not support Port Aggregation Protocol (PAgP) for port channels.

A port channel bundles individual links into a channel group to create a single logical link that provides the aggregate bandwidth of several physical links. If a member port within a port channel fails, traffic previously carried over the failed link switches to the remaining member ports within the port channel.

Each port can be in only one port channel. All the ports in an port channel must be compatible; they must use the same speed and operate in full-duplex mode. When you are running static port channels, without LACP, the individual links are all in the on channel mode; you cannot change this mode without enabling LACP.



Note You cannot change the mode from ON to Active or from ON to Passive.

You can create a port channel directly by creating the port-channel interface, or you can create a channel group that acts to aggregate individual ports into a bundle. When you associate an interface with a channel group, Cisco NX-OS creates a matching port channel automatically if the port channel does not already exist. You can also create the port channel first. In this instance, Cisco NX-OS creates an empty channel group with the same channel number as the port channel and takes the default configuration.



Note A port channel is operationally up when at least one of the member ports is up and that port's status is channeling. The port channel is operationally down when all member ports are operationally down.

Compatibility Requirements

When you add an interface to a port channel group, Cisco NX-OS checks certain interface attributes to ensure that the interface is compatible with the channel group. Cisco NX-OS also checks a number of operational attributes for an interface before allowing that interface to participate in the port-channel aggregation.

The compatibility check includes the following operational attributes:

- Port mode
- Access VLAN
- Trunk native VLAN
- Allowed VLAN list
- Speed
- 802.3x flow control setting
- MTU
- Broadcast/Unicast/Multicast Storm Control setting
- Priority-Flow-Control
- Untagged CoS

Use the **show port-channel compatibility-parameters** command to see the full list of compatibility checks that Cisco NX-OS uses.

You can only add interfaces configured with the channel mode set to on to static port channels. You can also only add interfaces configured with the channel mode as active or passive to port channels that are running LACP. You can configure these attributes on an individual member port.

When the interface joins a port channel, the following individual parameters are replaced with the values on the port channel:

- Bandwidth
- MAC address
- Spanning Tree Protocol

The following interface parameters remain unaffected when the interface joins a port channel:

- Description
- CDP
- LACP port priority
- Debounce

After you enable forcing a port to be added to a channel group by entering the **channel-group force** command, the following two conditions occur:

- When an interface joins a port channel the following parameters are removed and they are operationally replaced with the values on the port channel; however, this change will not be reflected in the running-configuration for the interface:
 - QoS
 - Bandwidth
 - Delay
 - STP
 - Service policy
 - ACLs
- When an interface joins or leaves a port channel, the following parameters remain unaffected:
 - Beacon
 - Description
 - CDP
 - LACP port priority
 - Debounce
 - UDLD
 - Shutdown
 - SNMP traps

Load Balancing Using Port Channels

Cisco NX-OS load balances traffic across all operational interfaces in a port channel by reducing part of the binary pattern formed from the addresses in the frame to a numerical value that selects one of the links in the channel. Port channels provide load balancing by default.

The default load balance criteria for all Layer 2, Layer 3 and Layer 4 frames is the source and destination IP addresses only. This criteria can be changed using the **port-channel load-balance ethernet** command. In addition, all packets without an IP header are dropped at ingress if the Ethertype is set to 0800 in their headers. So for pure Layer 2 frames (frames without an IP header), load balancing based only on MAC addresses occurs only when the Ethertype is set to FFFF or when Internetwork Packet Exchange (IPX) packets are sent.

You can configure the switch to use one of the following methods (see the following table for more details) to load balance across the port channel:

- Destination MAC address
- Source MAC address
- Source and destination MAC address
- Destination IP address
- Source IP address
- Source and destination IP address
- Destination TCP/UDP port number
- Source TCP/UDP port number
- Source and destination TCP/UDP port number

Table 4: Port Channel Load-Balancing Criteria

Configuration	Layer 2 Criteria	Layer 3 Criteria	Layer 4 Criteria
Destination MAC	Destination MAC	Destination MAC	Destination MAC
Source MAC	Source MAC	Source MAC	Source MAC
Source and destination MAC	Source and destination MAC	Source and destination MAC	Source and destination MAC
Destination IP	Destination MAC	Destination MAC, destination IP	Destination MAC, destination IP
Source IP	Source MAC	Source MAC, source IP	Source MAC, source IP
Source and destination IP	Source and destination MAC	Source and destination MAC, source and destination IP	Source and destination MAC, source and destination IP

Configuration	Layer 2 Criteria	Layer 3 Criteria	Layer 4 Criteria
Destination TCP/UDP port	Destination MAC	Destination MAC, destination IP	Destination MAC, destination IP, destination port
Source TCP/UDP port	Source MAC	Source MAC, source IP	Source MAC, source IP, source port
Source and destination TCP/UDP port	Source and destination MAC	Source and destination MAC, source and destination IP	Source and destination MAC, source and destination IP, source and destination port

Use the option that provides the balance criteria with the greatest variety in your configuration. For example, if the traffic on a port channel is going only to a single MAC address and you use the destination MAC address as the basis of port-channel load balancing, the port channel always chooses the same link in that port channel; using source addresses or IP addresses might result in better load balancing.

Understanding LACP

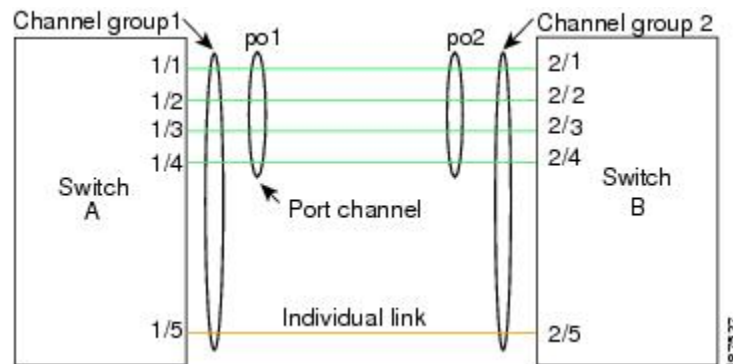
LACP Overview



Note You must enable the LACP feature before you can configure and use LACP functions.

The following figure shows how individual links can be combined into LACP port channels and channel groups as well as function as individual links.

Figure 4: Individual Links Combined into a Port channel



With LACP, just like with static port-channels, you can bundle up to 16 interfaces in a channel group.

**Note**

When you delete the port channel, Cisco NX-OS automatically deletes the associated channel group. All member interfaces revert to their previous configuration.

You cannot disable LACP while any LACP configurations are present.

LACP ID Parameters

LACP uses the following parameters:

- LACP system priority—Each system that runs LACP has an LACP system priority value. You can accept the default value of 32768 for this parameter, or you can configure a value between 1 and 65535. LACP uses the system priority with the MAC address to form the system ID and also uses the system priority during negotiation with other devices. A higher system priority value means a lower priority.

**Note**

The LACP system ID is the combination of the LACP system priority value and the MAC address.

- LACP port priority—Each port configured to use LACP has an LACP port priority. You can accept the default value of 32768 for the LACP port priority, or you can configure a value between 1 and 65535. LACP uses the port priority with the port number to form the port identifier. LACP uses the port priority to decide which ports should be put in standby mode when there is a limitation that prevents all compatible ports from aggregating and which ports should be put into active mode. A higher port priority value means a lower priority for LACP. You can configure the port priority so that specified ports have a lower priority for LACP and are most likely to be chosen as active links, rather than hot-standby links.
- LACP administrative key—LACP automatically configures an administrative key value equal to the channel-group number on each port configured to use LACP. The administrative key defines the ability of a port to aggregate with other ports. A port's ability to aggregate with other ports is determined by these factors:
 - Port physical characteristics, such as the data rate, the duplex capability, and the point-to-point or shared medium state
 - Configuration restrictions that you establish

Channel Modes

Individual interfaces in port channels are configured with channel modes. When you run static port channels, with no protocol, the channel mode is always set to on. After you enable LACP globally on the device, you enable LACP for each channel by setting the channel mode for each interface to active or passive. You can configure either channel mode for individual links in the LACP channel group.

**Note**

You must enable LACP globally before you can configure an interface in either the active or passive channel mode.

The following table describes the channel modes.

Table 5: Channel Modes for Individual Links in a Port channel

Channel Mode	Description
passive	LACP mode that places a port into a passive negotiating state, in which the port responds to LACP packets that it receives but does not initiate LACP negotiation.
active	LACP mode that places a port into an active negotiating state, in which the port initiates negotiations with other ports by sending LACP packets.
on	All static port channels, that is, that are not running LACP, remain in this mode. If you attempt to change the channel mode to active or passive before enabling LACP, the device returns an error message. You enable LACP on each channel by configuring the interface in that channel for the channel mode as either active or passive. When an LACP attempts to negotiate with an interface in the on state, it does not receive any LACP packets and becomes an individual link with that interface; it does not join the LACP channel group.

Both the passive and active modes allow LACP to negotiate between ports to determine if they can form a port channel, based on criteria such as the port speed and the trunking state. The passive mode is useful when you do not know whether the remote system, or partner, supports LACP.

Ports can form an LACP port channel when they are in different LACP modes as long as the modes are compatible as in the following examples:

- A port in active mode can form a port channel successfully with another port that is in active mode.
- A port in active mode can form a port channel with another port in passive mode.
- A port in passive mode cannot form a port channel with another port that is also in passive mode because neither port will initiate negotiation.
- A port in on mode is not running LACP.

LACP Marker Responders

Using port channels, data traffic may be dynamically redistributed due to either a link failure or load balancing. LACP uses the Marker Protocol to ensure that frames are not duplicated or reordered because of this redistribution. Cisco NX-OS supports only Marker Responders.

LACP-Enabled and Static Port Channel Differences

The following table provides a brief summary of major differences between port channels with LACP enabled and static port channels. For information about the maximum configuration limits, see the *Verified Scalability* document for your device.

Table 6: Port channels with LACP Enabled and Static Port channels

Configurations	Port Channels with LACP Enabled	Static Port Channels
Protocol applied	Enable globally.	Not applicable.
Channel mode of links	Can be either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active • Passive 	Can only be On.

LACP Port Channel MinLinks

A port channel aggregates similar ports to provide increased bandwidth in a single manageable interface. The MinLinks feature allows you to define the minimum number of interfaces from a LACP bundle that must fail before the port channel goes down.

The LACP port channel MinLinks feature does the following:

- Configures the minimum number of port channel interfaces that must be linked and bundled in the LACP port channel.
- Prevents a low-bandwidth LACP port channel from becoming active.
- Causes the LACP port channel to become inactive if only a few active members ports supply the required minimum bandwidth.



Note

The MinLinks feature works only with LACP port channels. The device allows you to configure this feature in non-LACP port channels, but the feature is not operational.

Configuring Port Channels

Creating a Port Channel

You can create a port channel before creating a channel group. Cisco NX-OS automatically creates the associated channel group.



Note If you want LACP-based port channels, you need to enable LACP.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface port-channel <i>channel-number</i>	Specifies the port-channel interface to configure, and enters the interface configuration mode. The range is from 1 to 4096. Cisco NX-OS automatically creates the channel group if it does not already exist.
Step 3	switch(config)# no interface port-channel <i>channel-number</i>	Removes the port channel and deletes the associated channel group.

This example shows how to create a port channel:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch (config)# interface port-channel 1
```

Adding a Port to a Port Channel

You can add a port to a new channel group or to a channel group that already contains ports. Cisco NX-OS creates the port channel associated with this channel group if the port channel does not already exist.



Note If you want LACP-based port channels, you need to enable LACP.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface <i>type</i> <i>slot/port</i>	Specifies the interface that you want to add to a channel group and enters the interface configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# switchport mode trunk	(Optional) Configures the interface as a trunk port.
Step 4	switch(config-if)# switchport trunk { allowed vlan <i>vlan-id</i> native vlan <i>vlan-id</i> }	(Optional) Configures necessary parameters for a trunk port.
Step 5	switch(config-if)# channel-group <i>channel-number</i>	Configures the port in a channel group and sets the mode. The channel-number range is from 1 to 4096. Cisco NX-OS creates the port channel associated with

	Command or Action	Purpose
		this channel group if the port channel does not already exist. This is called implicit port channel creation.
Step 6	switch(config-if)# no channel-group	(Optional) Removes the port from the channel group. The port reverts to its original configuration.

This example shows how to add an Ethernet interface 1/4 to channel group 1:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch (config)# interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
switch(config-if)# channel-group 1
```

Configuring Load Balancing Using Port Channels

You can configure the load-balancing algorithm for port channels that applies to the entire device.



Note

If you want LACP-based port channels, you need to enable LACP.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# port-channel load-balance ethernet {[destination-ip destination-mac destination-port source-dest-ip source-dest-mac source-dest-port source-ip source-mac source-port] crc-poly }	Specifies the load-balancing algorithm for the device. The range depends on the device. The default is source-dest-mac.
Step 3	switch(config)# no port-channel load-balance ethernet	(Optional) Restores the default load-balancing algorithm of source-dest-mac.
Step 4	switch# show port-channel load-balance	(Optional) Displays the port-channel load-balancing algorithm.

This example shows how to configure source IP load balancing for port channels:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch (config)# port-channel load-balance ethernet source-ip
```

Configuring Hardware Hashing for Multicast Traffic

By default, ingress multicast traffic on any port in the switch selects a particular port channel member to egress the traffic. You can configure hardware hashing for multicast traffic to reduce potential bandwidth issues and to provide effective load balancing of the ingress multicast traffic. Use the **hardware multicast hw-hash** command to enable hardware hashing. To restore the default, use the **no hardware multicast hw-hash** command.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface port-channel channel-number	Selects the port channel and enters the interface configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# hardware multicast hw-hash	Configures hardware hashing for the specified port channel.

This example shows how to configure hardware hashing on a port channel:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch (config)# interface port-channel 21
switch(config-if)# hardware multicast hw-hash
```

This example shows how to remove hardware hashing from a port channel:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch (config)# interface port-channel 21
switch(config-if)# no hardware multicast hw-hash
```

Enabling LACP

LACP is disabled by default; you must enable LACP before you begin LACP configuration. You cannot disable LACP while any LACP configuration is present.

LACP learns the capabilities of LAN port groups dynamically and informs the other LAN ports. Once LACP identifies correctly matched Ethernet links, it facilitates grouping the links into an port channel. The port channel is then added to the spanning tree as a single bridge port.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# feature lacp	Enables LACP on the switch.
Step 3	switch(config)# show feature	(Optional) Displays enabled features.

This example shows how to enable LACP:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# feature lacp
```

Configuring the Channel Mode for a Port

You can configure the channel mode for each individual link in the LACP port channel as active or passive. This channel configuration mode allows the link to operate with LACP.

When you configure port channels with no associated protocol, all interfaces on both sides of the link remain in the on channel mode.

Before You Begin

Ensure that you have enabled the LACP feature.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface type slot/port	Specifies the interface to configure, and enters the interface configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# channel-group channel-number [force] [mode {on active passive}]	<p>Specifies the port mode for the link in a port channel. After LACP is enabled, you configure each link or the entire channel as active or passive.</p> <p>force—Specifies that the LAN port be forcefully added to the channel group.</p> <p>mode—Specifies the port channel mode of the interface.</p> <p>active—Specifies that when you enable LACP, this command enables LACP on the specified interface. The interface is in an active negotiating state in which the port initiates negotiations with other ports by sending LACP packets.</p> <p>on—(Default mode) Specifies that all port channels that are not running LACP remain in this mode.</p> <p>passive—Enables LACP only if an LACP device is detected. The interface is in a passive negotiation state in which the port responds to LACP packets that it receives but does not initiate LACP negotiation.</p> <p>When you run port channels with no associated protocol, the channel mode is always on.</p>
Step 4	switch(config-if)# no channel-group number mode	Returns the port mode to on for the specified interface.

This example shows how to set the LACP-enabled interface to active port-channel mode for Ethernet interface 1/4 in channel group 5:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch (config)# interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if)# channel-group 5 mode active
```

This example shows how to forcefully add an interface to the channel group 5:

```
switch(config)# interface ethernet 1/1
switch(config-if)# channel-group 5 force
switch(config-if)#
```

Configuring LACP Port Channel MinLinks

The MinLink feature works only with LACP port channels. The device allows you to configure this feature in non-LACP port channels, but the feature is not operational.



Important

Cisco recommends that you only configure the MinLink feature on one end of your port channel. Configuring the **lacp min-links** command on both ends of the port channel might result in link flapping.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure terminal Example: switch# configure terminal switch(config)#	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	interface port-channel <i>number</i> Example: switch(config) # interface port-channel 3 switch(config-if) #	Specifies the interface to configure and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 3	[no] lacp min-links <i>number</i> Example: switch(config-if) # lacp min-links 3	Specifies the port channel interface to configure the number of minimum links and enters the interface configuration mode. The default value for <i>number</i> is 1. The range is from 1 to 16. Use the no form of this command to disable this feature.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	show running-config interface port-channel <i>number</i> Example: switch(config) # show running-config interface port-channel 3 switch(config-if) #	(Optional) Displays the port channel MinLinks configuration.

This example shows how to configure the minimum number of port channel interfaces on module 3:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config) # interface port-channel 3
switch(config-if) # lacp min-links 3
switch(config-if) #
```

Configuring the LACP Fast Timer Rate

You can change the LACP timer rate to modify the duration of the LACP timeout. Use the **lacp rate** command to set the rate at which LACP control packets are sent to an LACP-supported interface. You can change the timeout rate from the default rate (30 seconds) to the fast rate (1 second). This command is supported only on LACP-enabled interfaces.

Before You Begin

Ensure that you have enabled the LACP feature.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface <i>type</i> <i>slot/port</i>	Specifies the interface to configure and enters the interface configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# lacp rate fast	Configures the fast rate (one second) at which LACP control packets are sent to an LACP-supported interface.

This example shows how to configure the LACP fast rate on Ethernet interface 1/4:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config) # interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if) # lacp rate fast
```

This example shows how to restore the LACP default rate (30 seconds) on Ethernet interface 1/4.

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config) # interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if) # no lacp rate fast
```


Configuring the LACP System Priority and System ID

The LACP system ID is the combination of the LACP system priority value and the MAC address.

Before You Begin

Ensure that you have enabled the LACP feature.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# lACP system-priority <i>priority</i>	Configures the system priority for use with LACP. Valid values are 1 through 65535, and higher numbers have lower priority. The default value is 32768.
Step 3	switch# show lACP system-identifier	(Optional) Displays the LACP system identifier.

This example shows how to set the LACP system priority to 2500:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# lACP system-priority 2500
```

Configuring the LACP Port Priority

You can configure each link in the LACP port channel for the port priority.

Before You Begin

Ensure that you have enabled the LACP feature.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface <i>type</i> <i>slot/port</i>	Specifies the interface to configure, and enters the interface configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# lACP port-priority <i>priority</i>	Configures the port priority for use with LACP. Valid values are 1 through 65535, and higher numbers have lower priority. The default value is 32768.

This example shows how to set the LACP port priority for Ethernet interface 1/4 to 40000:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch (config)# interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if)# lacp port priority 40000
```

Verifying Port Channel Configuration

To display port channel configuration information, perform one of the following tasks:

Command	Purpose
switch# show interface port-channel <i>channel-number</i>	Displays the status of a port channel interface.
switch# show feature	Displays enabled features.
switch# show resource	Displays the number of resources currently available in the system.
switch# show lacp {counters interface type <i>slot/port</i> neighbor port-channel system-identifier}	Displays LACP information.
switch# show port-channel compatibility-parameters	Displays the parameters that must be the same among the member ports in order to join a port channel.
switch# show port-channel database [interface port-channel <i>channel-number</i>]	Displays the aggregation state for one or more port-channel interfaces.
switch# show port-channel summary	Displays a summary for the port channel interfaces.
switch# show port-channel traffic	Displays the traffic statistics for port channels.
switch# show port-channel usage	Displays the range of used and unused channel numbers.
switch# show port-channel database	Displays information on current running of the port channel feature.
switch# show port-channel load-balance	Displays information about load-balancing using port channels.

Verifying the Load-Balancing Outgoing Port ID

Command Guidelines

The **show port-channel load-balance** command allows you to verify which ports a given frame is hashed to on a port channel. You need to specify the VLAN and the destination MAC in order to get accurate results.



Note Certain traffic flows are not subject to hashing, for example when there is a single port in a port-channel.



Note In warp mode, the output contains two destination ports: one when there is no match in the warp table and one when there is a match in the warp table. A Layer 2 port match means that the source and destination MAC addresses are learned in the MAC table whereas a Layer 3 port match means the IP address is resolved.

To display the load-balancing outgoing port ID, perform one of the tasks listed in the table below.

Command	Purpose
<pre>switch# show port-channel load-balance forwarding-path interface port-channel port-channel-id src-interface source-interface vlan vlan-id dst-ip src-ip dst-mac src-mac l4-src-port port-id l4-dst-port port-id ether-type ether-type ip-proto ip-proto</pre>	Displays the outgoing port ID.

Example

This example shows the output of the short **port-channel load-balance** command.

```
switch# show port-channel load-balance forwarding-path interface port-channel 10 vlan 1
dst-ip 1.225.225.225 src-ip 1.1.10.10 src-mac aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff
l4-src-port 0 l4-dst-port 1
Missing params will be substituted by 0's. Load-balance Algorithm on switch: source-dest-port
crc8_hash:204 Outgoing port id: Ethernet 1/1 Param(s) used to calculate load balance:
dst-port: 0
src-port: 0
dst-ip: 1.225.225.225
src-ip: 1.1.10.10
dst-mac: 0000.0000.0000
src-mac: aabb.ccdd.eeff
```

Example

This example shows the output of the short **port-channel load-balance** command.

```
switch# show port-channel load-balance forwarding-path interface port-channel 10 vlan 1
dst-ip 1.225.225.225 src-ip 1.1.10.10 src-mac aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff ether-type 0x0800 ip-proto
0x11
l4-src-port 0 l4-dst-port 1
Missing params will be substituted by 0's. Load-balance Algorithm on switch: source-dest-port
crc8_hash:204 Outgoing port id: Ethernet 1/1 Param(s) used to calculate load balance:
dst-port: 0
src-port: 0
dst-ip: 1.225.225.225
src-ip: 1.1.10.10
dst-mac: 0000.0000.0000
src-mac: aabb.ccdd.eeff
ether-type: 0x0800
proto-type: 0x11
```

Example

This example shows the output of the **port-channel load-balance** command while the device is in warp mode:

```
switch# show port-channel load-balance forwarding-path interface port-channel 1 src-interface
  ethernet 1/6 vlan 1 src-ip 1.1.1.1 dst-ip 2.2.2.2
Missing params will be substituted by 0's.
Load-balance Algorithm on switch: source-dest-ip
  Outgoing port id (no cache hit): Ethernet1/29
  Outgoing port id (cache hit): Ethernet1/32
Param(s) used to calculate load-balance:
  dst-ip: 2.2.2.2
  src-ip: 1.1.1.1
  dst-mac: 0000.0000.0000
  src-mac: 0000.0000.0000
  VLAN: 1
```



Configuring Static NAT

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Information About Static NAT

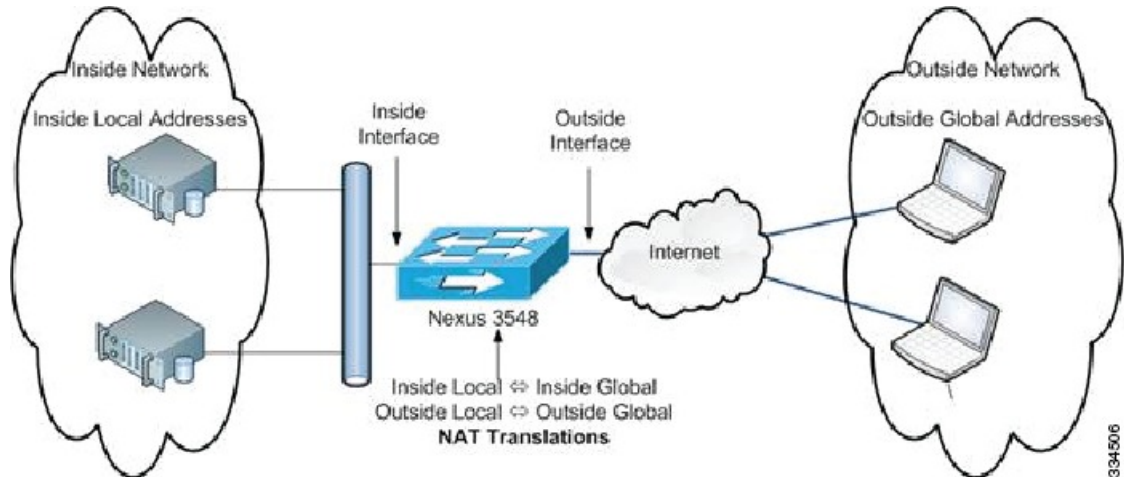
Static Network Address Translation (NAT) allows the user to configure one-to-one translations of the inside local addresses to the outside global addresses. It allows both IP addresses and port number translations from the inside to the outside traffic and the outside to the inside traffic. The Cisco Nexus device supports Hitless NAT, which means that you can add or remove a NAT translation in the NAT configuration without affecting the existing NAT traffic flows.

Static NAT creates a fixed translation of private addresses to public addresses. Because static NAT assigns addresses on a one-to-one basis, you need an equal number of public addresses as private addresses. Because the public address is the same for each consecutive connection with static NAT, and a persistent translation rule exists, static NAT enables hosts on the destination network to initiate traffic to a translated host if an access list exists that allows it .

With dynamic NAT and Port Address Translation (PAT), each host uses a different address or port for each subsequent translation. The main difference between dynamic NAT and static NAT is that static NAT allows a remote host to initiate a connection to a translated host if an access list exists that allows it, while dynamic NAT does not.

The figure shows a typical static NAT scenario. The translation is always active so both translated and remote hosts can originate connections, and the mapped address is statically assigned by the **static** command.

Figure 5: Static NAT



These are key terms to help you understand static NAT:

- NAT inside interface—The Layer 3 interface that faces the private network.
- NAT outside interface—The Layer 3 interface that faces the public network.
- Local address—Any address that appears on the inside (private) portion of the network.
- Global address—Any address that appears on the outside (public) portion of the network.
- Legitimate IP address—An address that is assigned by the Network Information Center (NIC) or service provider.
- Inside local address—The IP address assigned to a host on the inside network. This address does not need to be a legitimate IP address.
- Outside local address—The IP address of an outside host as it appears to the inside network. It does not have to be a legitimate address, because it is allocated from an address space that can be routed on the inside network.
- Inside global address—A legitimate IP address that represents one or more inside local IP addresses to the outside world.
- Outside global address—The IP address that the host owner assigns to a host on the outside network. The address is a legitimate address that is allocated from an address or network space that can be routed.

Licensing Requirements for Static NAT

This table shows the licensing requirements for static NAT.

Product	License Requirement
Cisco NX-OS	<p>Static NAT requires a LAN Base license and an Algo Boost license. For a complete explanation of the Cisco NX-OS licensing scheme and how to obtain and apply licenses, see the Cisco NX-OS Licensing Guide.</p> <p>Note Make sure the LAN Base Services license is installed on the switch to enable Layer 3 interfaces.</p>

Guidelines and Limitations for Static NAT

Static NAT has the following configuration guidelines and limitations:

- Static NAT supports up to 1000 translations.
- The Cisco Nexus device supports NAT on the following interface types:
 - Switch Virtual Interfaces (SVIs)
 - Routed ports
 - Layer 3 port channels
- NAT is supported on the default Virtual Routing and Forwarding (VRF) table only.
- NAT is supported for IPv4 Unicast only.
- The Cisco Nexus device does not support the following:
 - Software translation. All translations are done in the hardware.
 - Application layer translation. Layer 4 and other embedded IPs are not translated, including FTP, ICMP failures, IPSec, and HTTPs.
 - NAT and VLAN Access Control Lists (VACLs) that are configured on an interface at the same time.
 - PAT translation of fragmented IP packets.
 - NAT translation on software forwarded packets. For example, packets with IP-options are not NAT translated.
- Egress ACLs are applied to the original packets and not the NAT translated packets.
- By default, NAT can go up to 127 translations with 256 TCAM entries. If you need more NAT translations, you need to reduce the TCAM region allocation in other areas and then increase the NAT TCAM region using the **hardware profile tcam region nat** command.
- HSRP and VRRP are not supported on a NAT interface.
- Warp mode latency performance is not supported on packets coming from the outside to the inside domain.

- If an IP address is used for Static NAT or PAT translations, it cannot be used for any other purpose. For example, it cannot be assigned to an interface.
- For Static NAT, the outside global IP address should be different from the outside interface IP address.
- NAT statistics are not available.
- When configuring a large number of translations (more than 100), it is faster to configure the translations before configuring the NAT interfaces.

Configuring Static NAT

Enabling Static NAT

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# feature nat	Enables the static NAT feature on the device.
Step 3	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Configuring Static NAT on an Interface

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface <i>type slot/port</i>	Specifies an interface to configure, and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# ip nat {inside outside}	Specifies the interface as inside or outside. Note Only packets that arrive on a marked interface can be translated.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to configure an interface with static NAT from the inside:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 1/4
switch(config-if)# ip nat inside
```

Enabling Static NAT for an Inside Source Address

For inside source translation, the traffic flows from inside interface to the outside interface. NAT translates the inside local IP address to the inside global IP address. On the return traffic, the destination inside global IP address gets translated back to the inside local IP address.



Note

When the Cisco Nexus device is configured to translate an inside source IP address (Src:ip1) to an outside source IP address (newSrc:ip2), the Cisco Nexus device implicitly adds a translation for an outside destination IP address (Dst: ip2) to an inside destination IP address (newDst: ip1).

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# ip nat inside source static local-ip-address global-ip-address [group group-id]	Configures static NAT to translate the inside global address to the inside local address or to translate the opposite (the inside local traffic to the inside global traffic).
Step 3	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to configure static NAT for an inside source address:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# ip nat inside source static 1.1.1.1 5.5.5.5
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Enabling Static NAT for an Outside Source Address

For outside source translation, the traffic flows from the outside interface to the inside interface. NAT translates the outside global IP address to the outside local IP address. On the return traffic, the destination outside local IP address gets translated back to outside global IP address.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# ip nat outside source static <i>global-ip-address local-ip-address</i> [group <i>group-id</i>] [add-route]	Configures static NAT to translate the outside global address to the outside local address or to translate the opposite (the outside local traffic to the outside global traffic).
Step 3	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example show how to configure static NAT for an outside source address:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# ip nat outside source static 2.2.2.2 6.6.6.6
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Configuring Static PAT for an Inside Source Address

You can map services to specific inside hosts using Port Address Translation (PAT).

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# ip nat inside source static <i>{inside-local-address outside-local-address {tcp udp} inside-local-address {local-tcp-port local-udp-port} inside-global-address {global-tcp-port global-udp-port}}</i> group <i>group-id</i>	Maps static NAT to an inside local port to an inside global port.
Step 3	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to map UDP services to a specific inside source address and UDP port:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# ip nat inside source static udp 20.1.9.2 63 35.48.35.48 130
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Configuring Static PAT for an Outside Source Address

You can map services to specific outside hosts using Port Address Translation (PAT).

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# ip nat outside source static <i>{outside-global-address outside-local-address {tcp udp} outside-global-address {global-tcp-port global-udp-port} outside-local-address {global-tcp-port global-udp-port}}</i> group group-id add-route	Maps static NAT to an outside global port to an outside local port.
Step 3	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to map TCP services to a specific outside source address and TCP port:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# ip nat outside source static tcp 20.1.9.2 63 35.48.35.48 130
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Verifying the Static NAT Configuration

To display the static NAT configuration, perform this task:

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# show ip nat translations	Shows the translations for the inside global, inside local, outside local, and outside global IP addresses.

This example shows how to display the static NAT configuration:

```
switch# show ip nat translations
Pro Inside global      Inside local      Outside local     Outside global
any ---                ---              20.4.4.40         220.2.2.20
tcp ---                ---              23.1.1.133:333   210.3.3.33:555
any 160.200.1.140     10.1.1.40        ---              ---
any 160.200.1.140     10.1.1.40        20.4.4.40        220.2.2.20
tcp 172.9.9.142:777   12.2.2.42:444   ---              ---
tcp 172.9.9.142:777   12.2.2.42:444   23.1.1.133:333   210.3.3.33:555
```

Configuration Example for Static NAT and PAT

This example shows the configuration for static NAT:

```
ip nat inside source static 103.1.1.1 11.3.1.1
ip nat inside source static 139.1.1.1 11.39.1.1
ip nat inside source static 141.1.1.1 11.41.1.1
ip nat inside source static 149.1.1.1 95.1.1.1
ip nat inside source static 149.2.1.1 96.1.1.1
ip nat outside source static 95.3.1.1 95.4.1.1
ip nat outside source static 96.3.1.1 96.4.1.1
ip nat outside source static 102.1.2.1 51.1.2.1
ip nat outside source static 104.1.1.1 51.3.1.1
ip nat outside source static 140.1.1.1 51.40.1.1
```

This example shows the configuration for static PAT:

```
ip nat inside source static tcp 10.11.1.1 1 210.11.1.1 101
ip nat inside source static tcp 10.11.1.1 2 210.11.1.1 201
ip nat inside source static tcp 10.11.1.1 3 210.11.1.1 301
ip nat inside source static tcp 10.11.1.1 4 210.11.1.1 401
ip nat inside source static tcp 10.11.1.1 5 210.11.1.1 501
ip nat inside source static tcp 10.11.1.1 6 210.11.1.1 601
ip nat inside source static tcp 10.11.1.1 7 210.11.1.1 701
ip nat inside source static tcp 10.11.1.1 8 210.11.1.1 801
ip nat inside source static tcp 10.11.1.1 9 210.11.1.1 901
ip nat inside source static tcp 10.11.1.1 10 210.11.1.1 1001
ip nat inside source static tcp 10.11.1.1 11 210.11.1.1 1101
ip nat inside source static tcp 10.11.1.1 12 210.11.1.1 1201
```



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